

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	: Jarmo Smahl	Art Unit	: 3679
Serial No.	: 10/530,225	Examiner	: Kee, Fannie C.
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Title	: Connecting Piece Comprising A Gripping Element On The Outer Surface For Rotating The Connecting Piece		

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Commissioner for Patents  
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AMENDMENT IN REPLY TO FINAL ACTION OF DECEMBER 1, 2008

Please reexamine and reconsider the claims of the above-identified application in view of the following remarks: